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	EP 0 464 261 A1	01/08/1992	VDO Adolf Schindling AG			X

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

		Search Report from the European Patent Office dated May 18, 2007 (7 Pages)
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